

# **Hunter Mill Highlights**

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At Tuesday's Board of Supervisors meeting, we heard the final report from the Library Board of Trustees regarding the library's staff reorganization (beta plan) and the book discards. After conducting outreach meetings around the County, the Trustees recommended that staff shelve the beta plan. In addition, discarded books will again be available to the branch Friends of the Library groups for resale. I heard loud and clear from Hunter Mill District constituents on this issue and want to thank you all for your comments, involvement, and input.

In other business, the Board confirmed appointment of the new Park Authority Director, Kirk Kincannon. Kirk, currently director of parks and recreation in Boulder, Colorado, began his career in Fairfax County with stints at the Town of Herndon, City of Alexandria, and the Park Authority. Kirk takes up the helm at the Park Authority on January 27, 2014.

As Thanksgiving approaches, I am thankful for the opportunity to serve the Hunter Mill District. I am thankful to be part of our engaged and caring community. This time of year especially, the good works and involvement of residents in our community is truly inspiring.

My staff and I extend our sincere wishes for a very Happy Thanksgiving.

**Cathy Hudgins** 

### 11-19-2013 Board Action Highlights

Below are excerpts from the **November 19, 2013 Board of Supervisors** meeting that may be of interest to you, as a Hunter Mill District constituent. For additional details, please go to the County's <u>Board Agenda and Meeting Schedule</u> section on the County's webpage.

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#### **PRESENTATIONS**

**Fairfax County Park Authority** was congratulated by the Board for receiving reaccreditation by the Commission for Accreditation of Park and Recreation Agencies (CAPRA). For the second

consecutive time, the Park Authority met all 144 performance criteria in CAPRA's rigorous process of assessment and review, putting it in an elite group of park systems to attain the national standards of excellence.

The **Environmental Quality Advisory Council** (EQAC) presented their <u>2013 Annual Report on the Environment</u>.

The Fairfax County **Library Board of Trustees** presented their subcommittee reports to the Board on the proposed reorganization (beta test) of library staff and the book discard policy and procedures. The complete reports can be read online:

<u>Library Staffing Model (Beta Plan)</u> Floating Collections and Discards

### **ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS**

Admin 1: The Board authorized staff to accept grant funding from the Department of Homeland Security Urban Areas Security Initiative Subgrant totaling \$1,950,000 to upgrade computer hardware and fingerprint systems.

**Admin 6:** The Board authorized advertisement of a public hearing for January 14, 2014, on an amendment to the County Code concerning the **disposal of property seized by the police**.

**Admin 7:** The Board authorized advertisement of a public hearing for December 3, 2013, on an amendment to the County Code to add an article on **excessive sound generation in residential areas and dwellings.** Changes are needed to adjust the County's ordinance to avoid constitutional issues with the State. A more comprehensive revision of Chapter 108 on excessive noise will be forthcoming from the Department of Planning and Zoning. This revision is a necessary solution to allow the Police Department to respond to calls on excessive noise in residential dwellings.

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

**Action 1:** The Board approved refunding previous Inova Health Systems bond issue **of Industrial Development Authority Health Care Revenue Bonds**, not to exceed \$250 million. The bonds will be entirely supported by the revenues of Inova.

Action 2: The Board approved the transfer of grant funding from the State Litter Prevention and Recycling Grant to Clean Fairfax Council, Inc., in the amount of \$128,207 in FY2013, for the County's collection and recycling efforts.

**Action 4:** The Board approved submission of their comments on the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments **Regional Transportation Priorities Plan** for the National Capital Region.

**Action 5:** The Board approved an agreement with the Virginia Department of Transportation that allows the County to install and maintain "**Watch for Children**" **signs** on residential streets.

#### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

**Info 1:** In accordance with the Board of Supervisors Memorandum of Understanding and State regulations, the **Fairfax-Falls Church Community Services Board** (CSB) announced the approved **fee schedule** based on costs, new contracted rates, and comparative data from other CSBs.

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**3:30 p.m.** The Board held a public hearing and approved the proposed boundary adjustments stemming from the agreement with **Fairfax Water and the City of Falls Church.** 

**4:00 p.m.** The Board held a public hearing on the establishment of the **Great Meadow Residential Permit Parking District.** Decision was deferred.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Old Fashioned Holiday Celebration** at Frying Pan Farm Park: Saturday, December 7, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Activities include Children's Holiday Shopping, Santa visit and photos, wagon rides, live music, warming fire and more. Information is available online at <u>Frying Pan Farm Park website</u>, or call 703-437-9101.

**SAVE THE DATE**: Wednesday, December 12, for the Hunter Mill District Holiday Open House. Join Supervisor Hudgins and staff for a bit of holiday cheer, from 4:30-6:30 p.m., at the Reston Community Center at Lake Anne, 1609-A Washington Plaza, Reston.

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